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## Rowland Heights Man Sentenced to Prison for Rape, Mayhem, Other Crimes

A 27-year-old man was sentenced yesterday to 41 years and eight months in state prison for breaking into a woman's apartment and raping her, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Pablo Reyes Bautista of Rowland Heights pleaded no contest to six counts: forcible rape, sexual penetration by foreign object, first-degree burglary, person present, mayhem, assault with intent to commit a felony and false imprisonment in case KA104314.

Additionally, the defendant admitted special allegations that he committed a kidnapping and great bodily injury during the commission of the sex offense.

At Tuesday's sentencing, Los Angeles County Superior Court Commissioner Wade Olson also ordered Bautista to register as a lifetime sex offender.

Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Valenzuela, who prosecuted the case, said on Oct. 27, 2012, the female victim was sleeping when she was awakened by Bautista in her Rowland Heights apartment. While inside the home, the defendant brutally assaulted and raped the victim.

Following the attack, sheriff's officials began an investigation and a DNA hit led law enforcement to Bautista, the prosecutor said.

After some time, Bautista was discovered in Atwater Village and subsequently apprehended on Jan. 11, 2014.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.